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The weather has been bad at Prince Edward Island this week, and the boats have done no mackerel fishing. A few were taken in nets.

No mackerel are reported at Canso, N. S.

The New England catch of salt mackerel to date is about 37,000 barrels, against 34,000 barrels at this time last year.

The imports of salt mackerel at Boston this season have been 16,631 barrels. Imports of fresh mackerel are 6400 barrels.

Four hundred and sixty barrels of salt Irish mackerel have been received in the United States this week.

#### Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sloop Albion had five swordfish at Portland Thursday, one of which weighed 620 pounds.

Schs. Alena L. Young and Dixie were at Portland on Friday.

#### Bait.

Plenty of herring bait at the Mussel Ridges.

caught hard and fast in the great Arctic ice field and carried along helpless in its embrace for two weeks.

The ice was made ahead, not a solid field, but full of lanes and lakes. Into this the vessel sailed, now being held by the ice and then sailing along through narrow channels and pond like places. At last the floe seemed to become more solid and the vessel could make no headway and when off shore, in about the latitude of Cape Chudleigh at the entrance of Hudson strait, was fairly imprisoned.

Nothing could be done to work clear, so the sails were furled and for two weeks the vessel became part of the ice field, going with it wherever it drifted. At times the ice was as high on the sides of the vessel as the lantern boards and many times it seemed that nothing could save her from being crushed or badly damaged, but fortunately the big cakes did not topple over or press too hard against the sides and she luckily escaped both these dangers.

Captain Bonia and his crew made the best of the situation and had great sport chasing seals and walrus, many of which were found on the ice and in holes a short distance from the vessel.

At last the craft began to work clear, got out to where the ice was more open and in a week was free from the pack. The craft and crew had had a four weeks taste of a regular Arctic explorer's experience and did not care to repeat it.

After getting clear the vessel fished as far north as latitude 63 and from that down to latitude 57, icebergs abounded, some of these big ice mountains being always in sight. The strongest kind of a tide was found, which made fishing very hard. Ground sharks were caught in abundance, sometimes as many as 50 or 60 on two skates of trawl. Fish were not too plentiful and most of the sch. Senator Gardner's fare was taken during August.

On the way home Capt. Bonia spoke schs. George Parker and Puritan both of which had fair trips. Sch. Tacoma was coming along in company with sch. Senator Gardner and should be in soon.

As but few vessels are engaged in this branch of the fishery this season and the fares will not be large, high prices are expected.

The vessel has been gone over five months and her crew have fished inside the Arctic circle. Dangers have beset vessel and crew but both are home safe and sound and with a catch of 100,000 pounds of fished halibut.

#### POOR FISHING SEASON.

St. Johns, Sept. 12.—The French warship Manche, which has returned to St. Pierre from the Grand Banks, reports that 54 French fishing vessels have made only a quarter of their average catch of codfish, and also that a number of American vessels have had poor success. The season generally has been disastrous.

#### Good Stock.

Sch. Anglo Saxen, Capt. Robert Porper, weighed off 53,000 pounds of halibut as the result of her recent trip, the stock being \$2460, the crew sharing \$57.48.

#### DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

##### To-day's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Navahoe, Bay of Fundy, 425 bbls. salt mackerel.

Sch. Harry G. French, Maine Coast, 275 bbls. salt mackerel.

Sch. Speculator, Maine Coast, 112 bbls. salt mackerel.

Sch. Veda M. McKown, Bay of Fundy, 240 bbls. salt mackerel.

Sch. Meteor, Maine Coast, 60 bbls. salt mackerel.

Sch. Rebecca, Maine Coast, 170 bbls. salt mackerel.

Sch. Sceptre, Quero Bank, dory handlining, 5,000 lbs. cod.

Sch. Belle Franklin, Rips, 20,000 lbs. cod.

Sch. Tacoma, Labrador Coast, 130,000 lbs. fletched halibut, 70 bbls. halibut finns.

Sch. Quero Bank, 12,000 lbs. cod, 12 swordfish, 30,000 lbs. halibut.

Sch. S. E. Maker, Maine Coast, 115 bbls salt mackerel.

Sch. Lizzie M. Stanwood, Bay of Fundy seining.

Sch. Theodore Roosevelt, 35,000 lbs. halibut.

##### Today's Market.

Board of trade prices: Large handline Georges cod, \$4.25 per cwt. medium do., \$3.50; large trawl Georges, \$4.00; medium do., \$3.25; handline cod from deck, caught east of Cape Sable, \$4.00; medium do., \$3.25; large trawl gank cod, \$3.25; medium do., \$2.75; large dory handline cod, \$3.50; medium do., \$3.00

Board of Trade splitting prices on fresh fish —All cod caught on Le Have Bank and to the westward, large \$2.05; medium, \$1.60; all cod caught to the eastward of Le Have Bank large, \$2.05; medium, \$1.60; snapper cod fish, 40 cts.; cusk, \$1.50; haddock, 90 cts.; hake, \$1.00.; pollock, 50 cts.

Outside sales Georges cod, \$4.50 per hundred weight for large and \$3.50 for medium.

Outside sales Rips cod, \$4.15 per hundred weight for large and \$3.55 for medium.

Outside sale fresh fish, large cod, \$2.25; market cod, \$1.75; cusk, \$1.60; hake, \$1.10.

Salt mackerel, plain, \$14.50 per bbl.

Bank halibut, sets. per lb. for white and 5 1-2 cts. for gray.

#### Boston.

Sch. Alice M. Guthrie, 50,000 haddock, 7000 cod, 4000 hake.

Sch. Mary A. Whalen.

Sch. William A. Morse, 20,000 haddock, 8000 cod.

Sch. Lizzie M. Stanley, 12,000 haddock, 12,000 cod, 20,000 hake, 6000 cusk.

Sch. Venus, 5 swordfish.

Sch. Livonia, 33 swordfish.

Sch. Mary E. Stone, 1900 cod, 1200 pollock.

Sch. Ignatius Enos, 2000 cod, 1000 pollock.

Sch. J. F. McMorrow, 1000 cod, 1000 pollock.

Sch. Two Sisters, 3500 cod, 2500 pollock.

Sch. David Sherman, 2000 haddock, 15,000 cod.

Sch. Glenelg, 6000 haddock, 12,000 cod.

Sch. Monitor, 60,000 haddock, 4000 cod, 8000 hake.

Sch. Mary G. Powers, 35,000 haddock, 26,000 cod, 6000 hake.

Sch. Dorothy, 1000 haddock, 22,000 cod, 600 pollock.

Sch. E. C. Hussey, 2500 haddock, 11,000 cod, 2000 pollock.

Sch. Annie and Jennie, 3000 cod, 2500 pollock.

Sch. Canopus, 1000 haddock, 10,000 cod.

Sch. Fish Hawk, 55 swordfish.

Sch. Braganza, 4 swordfish.

Haddock, \$1.50 to \$2; large cod, \$2.50 to \$3; market cod, \$2; hake, \$1 to \$2; pollock, \$1.50 to \$2; swordfish, 10 and 11 cts. per lb.

## REGULAR ARCTIC TRIP.

Sch. Senator Gardner Home  
with Fletched Halibut.

WHOLE MONTH IN ICE FLOE.

Fished Off Greenland and Iceland  
Inside Arctic Circle.

The first of the fletched halibut fleet is home. sch. Senator Gardner, Capt. Joseph Bonia, arriving this morning from the far north with 100,000 pounds of fletches. Bad weather has been experienced, lots of ice met and fish have been scarce.

See Senator Gardner sailed from here early in March for the Iceland halibut grounds, a trip which no American vessel had taken for several years on account of the great falling off in the fishing on the banks of that far away island.

The passage up was not a bad one of 22 days, only one heavy gale being encountered. On arriving there and while the vessel stayed there, fishing in company with sch. Tacoma, which left here later in March, the weather was found very bad. Some fishing was done and but few fish found, being scarce. Bad weather continued to prevail and although every effort was made no satisfactory returns of fish were secured and after setting their trawls several times even as far north as latitude 67, the vessel on May 27 kept off for Greenland.

On the fishing grounds at the latter place some fishing was done, but as at Iceland practically no fish were found. The vessel fished here also as far north as latitude 67.

Capt. Bonia then decided to go to Bacalien Bank and also try the grounds of Davis strait in the vicinity of Baffin Land.

On the passage across from Greenland to the fishing ground off Labrador, the vessel had an experience which the captain and crew will not forget for some time, being